The True Copy of a Paper delivered by the Lord De——— *to the* Mayor *of* Darby, *where he Quarter'd the One and Twentieth of* November, 1688.

WE the *Nobility* and *Gentry* of the *Northern-Parts* of *England*, (whoſe Names are here under written) being deeply ſenſible of the Calamities that threaten theſe *Kingdoms*, do think it our Duty as *Chriſtians* and *good Subjects*, to Endeavour, what in Us lies, the healing of our preſent *Diſtractions*, and preventing greater; And as with grief we apprehend the ſad Conſequences that may ariſe from the Landing of an *Army* in this *Kingdom* from *Foraign Parts*, So we cannot but deplore the Occaſion given for it, by ſo many Invaſions, made of late years, on our *Religion* and *Laws*. And whereas we cannot think of any other Expedient to compoſe our differences, and prevent effuſion of Blood, then that which procured a Settlement in theſe *Kingdoms* after the late Civil Wars, the meeting and ſetting of a *Parliament*, freely and duly Choſen, We think our ſelves obliged, (as far as in us lies) to promote it; And the rather, becauſe the Prince of *Orange* (as appears by His *Declaration*) is willing to ſubmit His own *Pretenſions*, and all other matters, to their *Determination*: We heartily wiſh, and humbly pray, That *His Majeſty* would Conſent to this *Expedient*, in order to a future Settlement; And hope that ſuch a temperament may be thought of, as that the *Army* now on foot, may not give any interruption to the proceeding of a *Parliament*. But if to the great Misfortune and Ruine of theſe *Kingdoms*, it ſhould prove otherwiſe, We further Declare, That we will to our utmoſt, defend the *Proteſtant Religion*, the *Laws* of the *Kingdom*, and the *Rights* and *Liberties* of the *Subject*.

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